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## FIRST AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed February 19, 2003, a response which is due June 19, 2003 with a one-month extension of time, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration in view of the following amendments and appended remarks. Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper. Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.

A request for a one-month extension of time and a check in the amount of \$110.00 are enclosed herewith. No additional fees are believed due; however, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees that may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 11-0855.

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1430 on **June 18, 2003.**

Jamie L. Greene – Reg. No. 32,467